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Sir:

Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.181(a), Applicants hereby respectfully petition to withdraw the Examiner's holding of abandonment as set forth in a Notice of Abandonment ("Notice") mailed February 18, 2004 in connection with the above-identified application. A copy of the Notice issued February 18, 2004 is attached hereto; the Notice indicates that formal drawings are not acknowledged as timely received by the Patent and Trademark Office.

Applicants assert that the application was not in fact abandoned, and that corrected formal drawings were timely filed for this application on December 31, 2003. A copy of these drawings as filed is enclosed, as is a copy of a signed transmittal of formal drawings filed concurrently on December 31, 2003. Pursuant to MPEP 503, a copy of a return postcard receipt indicating the filing of the formal drawings and bearing the official December 31, 2003 date stamp of the United States Patent and Trademark Office, is attached hereto. This return postcard receipt features an itemized list of the documents filed with the United States Patent and Trademark Office on December 31, 2003. The filed formal drawings (52 drawings on 83 sheets) are represented on that itemized list. The return postcard receipt also indicates Express Mail Label No. EV 335 858 146 US. Further in support of the Applicants' assertion is a copy of Express Mail Label No. EV 335 858 146 US, bearing the official date stamp of the United States Postal Service on December 31, 2003, as well as a copy of a signed Express Mail Certification under 37 C.F.R. § 1.10 that identifies those items, including the formal drawings for this application, deposited with United States Postal Service using the Express Mail Label No. EV 335 858 146 US on December 31, 2003.

Applicants thus respectfully believe that the February 18, 2004 Notice was issued in error and that the Examiner's holding of abandonment should be withdrawn.

Pursuant to MPBP § 711.03(c), it is believed that no fee is required for filing this transmitted.

In the event a fee is required, please charge the required fee to Deposit Account No. 16-1150.

Respectfully submitted,

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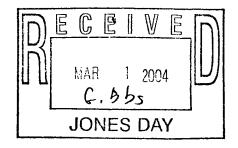
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his ap	plication is abandoned in view of:
	Applicant's failure to timely file a proper reply to the Office letter mailed on
	A reply (with Certificate of Mailing or Transmission of) was received on which is after the expiration of the period for reply (including a total
	extension of time of month(s)) which expired on
	A proposed reply was received on, but it does not constitute a proper reply under 37 CFR 1.113 to the final rejection. (A proper reply under 37 CFR 1.113 to a final rejection consists only of: (1) a timely filed amendment which places the application in condition for allowance; (2) a timely filed Notice of Appeal (with appeal fee); or (3) a timely filed Request for Continued Examination (RCE) in compliance with 37 CFR 1.114).
	A reply was received on, but it does not constitute a proper reply, or a <i>bona fide</i> attempt at a proper reply, to the non-final rejection. See 37 CFR 1.85(a) and 1.111. (See explanation in the last box below).
	No reply has been received.
	Applicant's failure to timely pay the required issue fee and publication fee, if applicable, within the statutory period of three months from the mailing date of the Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85).
	The issue fee and publication fee, if applicable, was received on (with a Certificate of Mailing or Transmission dated), which is after the expiration of the statutory period for payment of the issue fee (and publication fee) set in the Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85)(or Notice of Publication Fee Due).
	The submitted fee of \$ is insufficient. A balance of \$ is due. The issue fee by 37 CFR 1.18 is.\$ The publication fee, if required, by 37 CFR 1.18(d) is \$
	The issue fee and publication fee, if applicable, have not been received.
	Applicant's failure to timely file corrrected drawings as required by, and within the three-month period set in, the Notice of Allowability (PTOL-37).
	Proposed corrected drawings were received on (with a Certificate of Mailing or Transmission dated), which is after the expiration of the period for reply.
	No corrected drawings have been received.
	The letter of express abandonment which is signed by the attorney or agent of record, the assignee of the entire interest, or all the applicants.
	The letter of express abandonment which is signed by an attorney or agent (acting in a representative capacity under 37 CFR 1.34(a)) upon filing of a continuing application.
	The decision by the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences rendered on and because the period for seeking court review of the decision has expired and there are no allowed claims.
	The reason(s) below: Petitions to revive under 37 CFR 1.137(a) or (b) or requests to withdraw the holding of abandonment under 37 CFR 1.181, should be promptly filed to

minimize any negative effects on patent term.